Registration of Indians in Foreign Nation

2958 SHRI T.T.V. DHINAKARAN: Will the Minister of OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is fact that all the Indian working in foreign countries have not been registered with the respective Indian Embassies;

(b) if so, in what manner the embassies update the records of Indian working in the respective countries; and

(c) whether Government ask the Indian Embassies abroad to compulsorily update the record of Indian working in the respective country for redressing the grievances of Indian there?

THE MINISTER OF OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS (SHRI VAYALAR RAVI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Indian Embassies persuade the Indian working in foreign countries through press advertisement/personal contact when Indian approach Embassies for consular services/Indian Associations to register with the Embassies. However, the response from majority of Indians in this regard is not encouraging and up dating the record of all Indians is not fully done.

(c) Government has instructed the Indian Embassies to update record of Indian as far as possible.

Functioning of MOIA

2959. SHRI GIREESH KUMAR SANGHI: Will the Minister of OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the functioning of his Ministry;

(b) in what manner it is helping Indian living overseas; and

(c) the major achievements of his Ministry since its inception?

THE MINISTER OF OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS (SHRI VAYALAR RAVI): (a) and (b) The Ministry functions as a single window service provide to overseas Indian by coordinating with other Ministries & departments of Government of India and Indian Missions abroad to solv« their problems. The Ministry's responsibilities include all matters relating to overseas Indians, promotion of investment Foreign Investment Implementation Authority and other investment promotion related